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In re Patent No. 6,391,080	:
Issue Date: May 21, 2002	:DECISION GRANTING PETITION
Application No. 09/705,257	:UNDER 37 CFR 1.378(c)
Filed: November 2, 2000	:
Patentee: Mohamed Elgafi	:

This is a decision on the petition, filed September 6, 2006, under 37 CFR 1.378(c) to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is GRANTED.

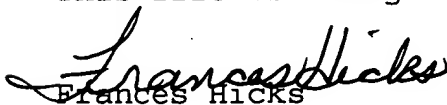
The patent issued May 21, 2002. The grace period for paying the first maintenance fee expired at midnight on May 21, 2006. Therefore, since this petition was filed within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), this petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

Accordingly, the maintenance fee in this case is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is hereby reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

If petitioner desires to receive future correspondence related to maintenance fees which may be mailed in the above-identified patent, a "fee address" (see PTO/SB/47 on the USPTO.gov website) should be submitted.

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